

# THE COUNTY PAPER.

By DAVENPORT & BORNES.  
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## FOREBODINGS.

The sad waves robed and sank and sighed,  
Then broke with moans and slowly died;  
The rustling pines, in low refrain,  
Sent back a monody of pain.

While over all the midnight clouds  
Had hung their gloomy, sombre shrouds,  
Assad and restless as the sea,  
My spirit tossed incessantly:

From out the heart a murmur stole,  
A thrill of fear swept o'er the soul,  
A fear lest with all its light,  
Should end, dissolved in blackest night.

For o'er the future bright and gay  
Stern Time had thrown his mantle gray:  
E'en Hope prepared to take her flight  
And disappear beyond my sight;

And in the night wind's chilling air  
I caught the accents of despair.

'Tis past! I see a glowing star  
Shine out amid the clouds afar,  
And soon Aurora's golden gleams  
Flash o'er the deep in rippling streams:

As light had beamed before the day,  
So all forebodings passed away.

The glad waves laughed and danced and sang  
Until the rocky headlands rang,  
And through the pines the zephyrs played,  
On countless wind-harps lightly strayed.

While summer sun and azure sky  
Compelled the clouds of doubt to fly.

The Good Effects of Labor.

The misery of having nothing to do proceeds from causes voluntary in their nature. Multitudes of men, by circumstances over which they have no control, are compelled to endure idle and lonely days, and still more wretched nights.

This misery, however, is sometimes voluntarily incurred. In artificial civilization certain persons exempt themselves from the necessity of work. They eat the bread which has been procured by the sweat of the brow of others; they skim the surface of the thought which has been plowed up by the brain of others. They are reckoned the favored ones of fortune, and envied. Are they to be envied? The law of life is, "In the sweat of thy brow thou shalt eat thy bread." No man can evade this law with impunity. It is its own executioner, and has strange penalties attached to it. The capacity of *envis* is one of the signatures that attest to man's need of activity. The early views we entertain of labor go far in determining the successful or disastrous issue of our lives. Nothing is sweeter than the perfected fruit of our activity.

There is something very delightful in handling the first money that one has earned. To know that you are under no obligation for it, that it is yours by the strictest laws of justice, that you have actually turned your brains or fingers to some account at last; that your service in the world is *substantially* edged substantially in those few glittering coins or that crisp, pleasant-looking slip of paper; there is a charm, we say, about the first few honorariums which we never expect to see again. Thousands we never expect to see again. Thousands we never expect to see again.

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## WEEKLY REVIEW

### General News Summary.

Pauline Merritt, sister of Alice Oates, died in Cincinnati, Feb. 24th.

A fire in Chicago on the night of March 2nd, destroyed property valued at \$75,000.

The loss by fire and robbery during the riots in Lima and Callas is estimated at \$5,000,000.

Hawthorne Hall, of Bates College, Lewiston, Maine, was badly damaged by fire, March 2nd.

The Chicago boiler makers and ship carpenters and calkers, are still holding out for advanced wages.

On the 24th of Feb. a runaway car in a colliery at Wellesboro, Pa., killed Richard Williams, and seriously injured four others.

Robert Hatfield, formerly of the editorial staff of the Buffalo Courier, shot himself in that city, Feb. 24. His age was 67.

Two more tramps were burned to death on the cinder dump of a rolling mill at Paterson, N. J., where they went to sleep on the night of Feb. 27th.

Two railroad coaches were ditched by a spread rail near Glade Waller, Texas, Feb. 24th, and twelve persons injured, ten badly, and one or two probably fatally.

All the boiler makers in Chicago struck March 1st for an advance in wages. Employers refuse to grant their demands, and there is every prospect of a prolonged strike.

The brigantine Isabel has been wrecked at Gulf Island, near St. Johns, Newfoundland, and all hands lost. She was one of the finest ships engaged in the Brazilian trade.

The total number of hogs cut up in Cincinnati during the winter season, from November 1st to March 1st, was 222,475, showing a decrease as compared with last year of 12,134 head.

It is stated as an evidence of the progress of civilization that the present amount of national indebtedness of the commercial countries of the world is \$24,500,000,000, and still increasing.

A dispatch from Portland, Oregon, March 1st, says the steamship Oregon, coming up the Columbia River last night, ran down and sunk the steamship Clatsop Chief. Four lives were lost.

The application of Moy Sam, a Chinaman, for naturalization papers, in Chicago, was denied by Judge Moran, on the ground that the applicant is not a white man within the meaning of the law.

General Ney (Duc d'Elchingen) was found dead at Chattanooga, Feb. 24th. His forehead was pierced by a bullet and a pistol was in his hand. He was a grandson of the famous Marshal Ney.

Eleven spans of the bridge across the Arkansas river at Kinsley, Kansas, were carried away by the floating ice, Feb. 27th. There are still nine spans standing, but fears were entertained that they would be carried away.

A coal engine collided with a passenger train on the Reading railroad, near Mahoning City, Pa., Feb. 28th, and Michael Reynolds, foreman of repairs, and a brakeman, were killed. Six other men were injured.

The schooner *Irving G. Hall*, from St. Louis, was wrecked on the 2nd of March, near the harbor of St. Johns, the most violent gale for sixty years. Every boat in the harbor was destroyed.

A passenger who arrived at San Francisco, March 1st, from Honolulu, reports a deplorable state of affairs there. The small-pox is epidemic, and many houses are quarantined. No one is allowed to enter or leave the city, and inter-communication between the islands has stopped.

Do Lesseps says the Panama canal will certainly be finished by 1888 at an estimated cost of \$12,000,000. The work will not require more than 8,000 to 10,000 workmen in the most busy portion of the work. The workmen will be recruited from the colored population of Columbia and the West Indies.

The town of Franklin, on the Seaboard & Roanoke railroad in Virginia, was badly destroyed by fire, Feb. 27th. Nearly all the business houses were burned, including the postoffice and telegraph office. Loss estimated at \$150,000. The fire originated from the explosion of an oil lamp in a grocery store. Insurance, \$50,000.

Fires reported Feb. 24th are the following: Northfield concert hall, Montreal—loss, \$50,000; the Great Western Gas Works, St. Louis, damaged \$10,000 to \$15,000; at Austin, Nevada, the North Star hotel—loss, \$5,000; at Edenton, N. C., fifteen buildings in the business part of the city.

An accident occurred on the New Jersey Midland railroad, leaving Jersey City on the morning of Feb. 24th. The train was wrecked by a broken rail just east of Ogdenburg, N. Y. The mail at 1:30 p.m. and a passenger coach went down a steep embankment twelve feet, turning over twice. Both instantly took fire from overturned stores and burned up. The passengers, about a dozen in number, all escaped, getting out alive, all more or less hurt, but none fatally. The mail was entirely destroyed.

About 10 o'clock on the night of March 1st, while both branches of the Minnesota Legislature were in session, an alarm of fire was sounded, which startled the members from their seats. Rushing from the chambers, they were confronted with falling fire-brands from the dome of the capitol, which was already ablaze. A hook and ladder company, located near, rushed to the scene and with the aid of these ladders the members all escaped, some of them being slightly singed. The building burned to the ground, entailing a loss to the state of over \$100,000 for the structure and the loss of the Historical and Supreme Court library, a much greater loss because they cannot be restored. The records were all saved, however, as they were in vaults. One of the vaults contains over two millions of State trust bonds, which are without doubt saved.

A corporation has been organized at St. Louis called the St. Louis, New Orleans & Foreign Dispatch Company, the purpose of which is to forward bulk grain and all kinds of produce and merchandise direct from St. Louis to Liverpool and other foreign ports. Through bills of lading will be given on all freight destined for Europe. The barge lines between St. Louis and New Orleans will be used to convey bulk grain, and the anchor line of steamers for the transportation of all other freight. Through bills of lading will also be given at European ports on all merchandise destined for St. Louis. B. W. Lewis, formerly President of the St. Louis, Kansas City & Northern Railroad, is President of the company, and Web W. Samuel, a prominent merchant, Vice President. Jas. R. Bull, one

of the oldest and most experienced transportation men in St. Louis is General Manager, and a number of solid business men are in the directory. The company will have offices in New Orleans, Liverpool, and several Continental cities, and will commence operations in a very short time.

The Catholic Orphanage at Scranton, Pa., burned on the night of Feb. 27th. Seventeen children—14 boys and 3 girls—were fatally burned. The building was occupied by a number of the sisters of Charity, and under their charge were forty children from six to twelve years old. The children occupied separate dormitories on the third floor. At half past eight a sister took them to their rooms and locked the doors. Descending the stairs she observed smoke issuing from a room of the second story. Opening the door she was driven back by a cloud of smoke. Fire was raging along the ceiling, making its way to the upper floor. The sister hastened up stairs and found the girls, room full of smoke. She ran to the lower floor and started back for the boys. The smoke was pouring into the hall in blinding clouds, and when about half way up stairs she was met by a stranger. She made an effort to pass but he refused to allow her, saying that the boys had been rescued, and that it would be dangerous for her to go for them. She reluctantly went back. The alarm brought four fire companies. The flames were raging fiercely when the firemen went to work. In a short time the flames were beaten back, and the door of the dormitory burst open. The victims were found beneath their coats. Only two had been touched by the fire, but all had evidently been dead some time. There were seventeen dead children.

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RIO DE JANEIRO.

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On the evening of Feb. 23rd, Gladstone, while alighting from a carriage, fell, striking the back of his head on the carriage step, cutting it severely. A physician dressed the wound, and Gladstone retired to bed. Under the most favorable circumstances he will be compelled to abstain from attending the sessions of the Commons for some days. Lord Olo R. Russell, British Ambassador at Berlin, has been recalled to peerage under the title of Amptill. Rev. Benjamin Speke, brother of the well known African explorer, has drowned himself in Somersetshire.

Sir William Vernon Harcourt, Home Secretary, received on the evening of Feb. 25th, a cablegram from John Devoy, of New York, saying that he (the Secretary) should answer with his life for his language in the House of Commons, referring to Devoy. In the House of Commons the Speaker declared the bill for the better protection of person and property in Ireland having passed, the state of the public business was no longer urgent. The Arms bill will be introduced soon, when it is believed the opposition will be a unit in a fierce attack on the conduct and business of the Government. Penian lodges have been discovered in Lancashire and arms seized. In the House of Lords the protection bill was read for the first time, Feb. 25th.

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